

# SUMMERTIME AT COVENANT

JULY 1979

*Covenant College, Lookout Mountain, Tennessee*

## Kirms, Schoner Join Covenant's Faculty

Mr. Fred Kirms, originally from New Jersey, and Dr. Alta Ada Schoner of Texas will be joining the Covenant faculty in Business Administration and English respectively this fall. They are the second and third additions to the faculty for the upcoming semester. Dr. Timothy Ewearitt joined Covenant's Education Department in May and Dr. Barker is conducting interviews for a part-time position in sociology.

Mr. Kirms will be coming to Covenant after four years at Taylor University in Upland, Indiana. He is married (Marilyn), and has three children: Karen, who is married, Mark, and Holly. The Kirms are members of the Reformed Episcopal Church.



Mr. Kirms received his B.S. in Engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1951. After spending several years in the Navy, he earned his M.B.A. in Marketing Research from the State University of New York at Albany in 1968 and his B.D. in Theology from Reformed Episcopal Seminary in 1974.

At Taylor University, Mr. Kirms served as chairman of the Department of Business and Economics. He has had a wide range of work experience, including engineering, marketing, finance, purchasing, and administration, as well as teaching. At Covenant, Mr. Kirms will be handling the Management and Accounting courses.



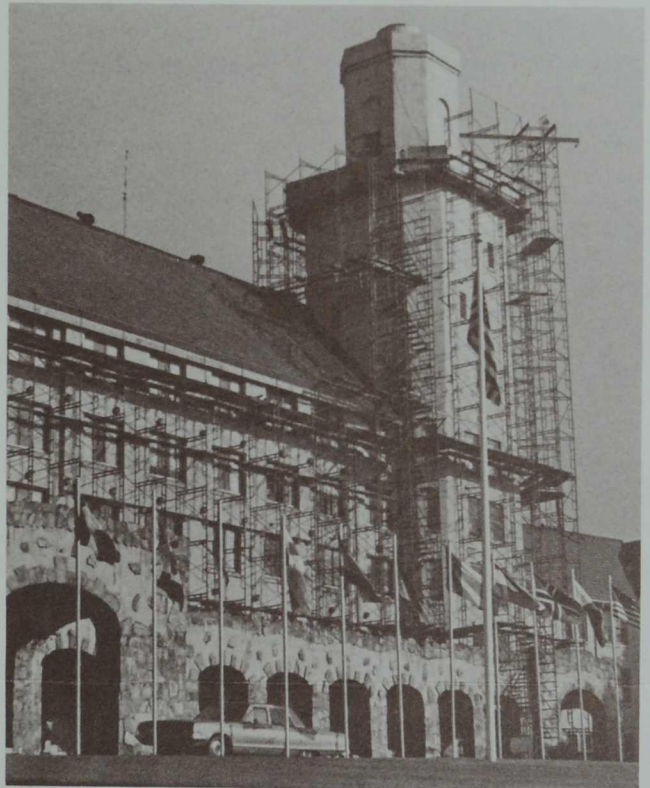
Dr. Schoner, meanwhile, is currently pursuing post-doctoral studies in England. She received her bachelor's, master's and doctor's degree from Texas Tech University, where she has also taught. She most recently taught at Howard Payne University and under a research grant from there, spent two years at Oxford University in England.

Dr. Schoner has three children: Francy, Paul, and Joseph.

At Howard Payne, Dr. Schoner organized symposiums on Katherine Anne Porter and Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn. At Covenant she will be teaching courses in Milton's poetry, the Romantic movement and freshmen composition.

## Energy Crunch Considered in Renovation Project

The renovation of Carter Hall is now in full swing. With all of the scaffolding in place, the roofers are hard at work replacing the tile and rotten wood on Carter Hall's roof, a job which, hopefully, will be completed by the fall.



*Scaffolding around Carter Hall overlooks the flags from 10 foreign countries. The flags are raised every morning by the Children's International Summer Village.*

During the first phase of the renovation project, a major effort is being made to make the fifty-year old building more energy-efficient. When the "facelift" of the exterior and the roofing work is completed, the heat loss from the structure will be cut by 60-80%. A new hot water heater has already been installed which will add even more efficiency to the heating system.

The new exterior will consist of a number of materials:  $\frac{5}{8}$ " exterior gypsum, 2" of drivit (a styrofoam-type wall insulating system), a mesh covering, an epoxy sealer, and finally, an epoxy-stucco finish. The

exterior of the building will look the same in appearance as it did before the renovation began.

In addition to the facelift, new thermo-pane windows will be added throughout Carter Hall. The windows, made of wood and aluminum, are the best insulated windows available. Venetian blinds for each window will be located between the two panes of glass which will prevent soiling and damage. The entire window will swing out which will make it easy to clean.

## Play Ball!

Huge crowds (numbering in the tens), speedy play (relatively), and world-class competition (well...) could spell only one thing for those fortunate few who stayed on Lookout Mountain for the summer-Hoagie Hut International Softball. Back for their third year of action, the Hut, under the direction of general manager, Bob DeMoss, is striking fear and awe into the Lookout Mountain Slow-Pitch Softball League with slick-fielding and timely hitting.

The Hut rolled to a season opening 9-5 win over "The Tired Dogs." Warren Vreeland, a 1975 graduate from Covenant, came off the bench to pace the hitting attack with a triple and homerun. The Hut is currently 11-5, with a five game winning streak to their credit. Included in that streak were two come-from-behind victories erasing 11-2 and 11-3 deficits. The Hut went on to win those two games 13-12 and 13-11, respectively.

Leading the Hoagie Hut in hitting thus far are four Covenant graduates, all currently around the .500 mark. They are Warren Vreeland (1975), Randy Cobler (1977), Ken Wright (1979), and Jim Drexler (1979). The Hut will participate in a city-wide tournament in Mid-July.

## Challenge Program a Success

"And my God shall supply all your needs."

Paul didn't have the Encore Challenge Program in mind while writing those words, but the tremendous response from friends of the college that allowed the \$210,000 grant to be claimed certainly brought that phrase to our minds.

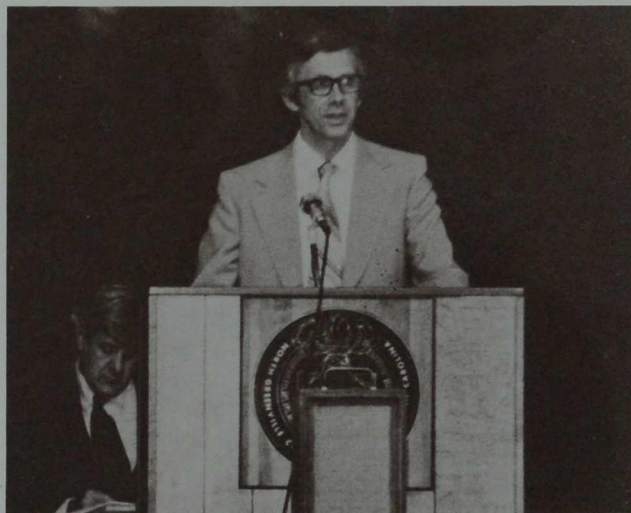
Not only did we meet the requirements of the challenge, but the pledges goal of 630 was exceeded by nearly a hundred! Once again, the Lord has bountifully met the needs of the college.

## Around the World in 80 Days

The summer months are generally the time that most people do their traveling and vacationing. Covenant College is no exception. You might be interested in hearing some of the travels of Covenant faculty, staff and alumni this summer.

- Several former Covenant students are heading to Europe: Kathie Young (1978), and Andrea Midgitt (1978) to France and Craig Grismore and his brother, who plan to bicycle across the continent.
- Dr. Cummer recently returned from a week-long backpacking trip in the Smokies.
- Marc Petrini didn't have to go far to visit a site of national significance: he gassed up at Billy Carter's Service Station in Plains, Georgia.

- Barbara Johnson flew to Alaska in July for a 10-day stay with her brother, whom she calls "Wilderness Bill." Bill's a forest ranger "out in the middle of nowhere."
- Randy Cobler (1977) will take a somewhat extended vacation in July when he moves back home to San Jose, California. Randy will be working in August with the Bay Area premiere of Dr. Schaeffer's new movie, *What Ever Happened to the Human Race?*
- The Donaldsons traveled to Charleston, South Carolina in June for the Spoleto Festival, U.S.A. The week-long fine arts festival is concurrently held in Spoleto, Italy and is internationally known.
- John Moore and his wife Fern aren't letting the threat of a gas shortage bother them. By the end of the summer, they will have driven to Pennsylvania and Florida to visit relatives and vacation.
- Mr. Dameron is already planning his afternoon visit to Rossville, Georgia, probably the highlight of his summer's activities.
- Coach Fitzgerald and his family traveled to Michigan in June so that "Fitz" could help out in the annual Michigan State Basketball Camp. Afterwards, the Fitzgeralds drove across Canada en-route to Presque Isle, Maine, to visit with relatives there.



Dr. Martin Essenburg addressing the RPC,ES Synod in Greenville.

Seven new member were elected this summer to Covenant's Board of Trustees. They are:

- Rev. David Bryson, Savannah, Georgia (PCA)
- Mr. Oliver Smith, Knoxville, Tennessee (PCA)
- Rev. James Conrad, Naples, Florida (RPC,ES)
- Dr. Tom Cross, Greenville, South Carolina (RPC,ES)
- Rev. Al Lutz, Greenville, South Carolina (RPC,ES)
- Rev. James Singleton, Agoura, California (RPC,ES)
- Mr. G. Oral Waring, Memphis, Tennessee (RPC,ES)

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